

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The claims have been formally amended, and claim 3 has been amended to make it dependent on claim 2. Since the knife is laterally offset relative to the saw blade, as recited in claim 2, it will give different lengths of the profile pieces when changing the blade or knife. Therefore, the control device has to correct the lateral offset before cutting.

It is respectfully submitted that the linking of claim 3 to claim 2 obviates the restriction requirement since all the claims now form a single inventive concept under PCT Rule 13.1. This inventive concept is covered by Group I, claims 3 and 4 now depending on claim 2 are included in this elected group.

Favorable reconsideration and examination of claims 1 to 5 on their merits are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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